

The 104th Annual Session
PROGRESSIVE MISSIONARY & EDUCATIONAL
BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF FLORIDA, INCORPORATED

March 19th – 23rd, 2018

Program For The
12th Annual Session

Of The
Deaconess Council

THEME: “Transformation, Renewal, and Service”
Romans 12:1-2



Sister Gerri McCallister, President

Hosted By:
Moderator W.J. Haynes
And
The Mt. Pilgrim District Association

Site Located @
Innisbrook Resort & Golf Club
36750 U.S. Highway 19 North
Palm Harbor, Florida 34684

2017-2018 OFFICERS

President		Sister Gerri McCallister, <i>St. Petersburg</i>
1 st Vice President		Sister Bobbie Ponder, <i>Ft. Walton Beach</i>
2 nd Vice President		Sister Cheryl Burnett, <i>Brandon</i>
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Assistant Workshop Directress		Sister Mary Priester, <i>Valrico</i>
Ushers Chairperson		Sister Trellis Haygood, <i>Mulberry</i>
Devotional Chairperson		Sister Callie Wooden, <i>Marianna</i>
Devotional Team		Sister Linda Rouhlac, <i>Panama City</i>
		Sister Lula Jones, <i>Sneads</i>
		ReGena Herring, <i>Marianna</i>
Historian		Sister Patricia Stewart, <i>Orlando</i>
Pianist		Sister Joann Anderson, <i>Winter Park</i>
Area Coordinator	West Florida	Sister Iva Tolbert, <i>Lynn Haven</i>
Area Coordinator	West Florida	Sister ReGena Herring/Callie Wooden, <i>Marianna</i>
Area Coordinator	Tampa Bay	Sister Cheryl Burnett, <i>Tampa</i>
Area Coordinator	Tampa Bay	Sister Gloria Terry, <i>Tampa</i>
Area Coordinator	Central Florida	Sister Carolean Sanders, <i>Orlando</i>
Area Coordinator	Central Florida	Sister Lillie Wright, <i>Orlando</i>
Area Coordinator	North Florida	Sis. Audrey Washington, <i>Green Cove Spgs.</i>
Area Coordinator	South Florida	Sister Elouise Bythwood, <i>Belle Glades</i>
Spiritual Advisor		Reverend Troy A. Adams, Sr, <i>St. Petersburg</i>
Ministry Advisor		Reverend H.D. Rucker, <i>Orlando</i>

ENROLLMENT

Church Enrollment	\$100.00
District Associations	\$ 75.00
State Officers	\$ 35.00
District Presidents	\$ 35.00
Congress/Local Presidents	\$ 30.00
Personal	\$ 25.00

Sister Gerri McCallister, President
Deaconess Council Ministry
Region and Area Team Members

West Florida

(Covering areas from Quincy - Ft. Walton Bch/Pensacola)

Sister Bobbie Ponder, 1st Vice President

Sister Iva Tolbert, Area Coordinators

Sister ReGena Herring

North Florida

(Covering Jacksonville/Green Cove Spring)

Sisters Gerri McCallister/Clara Cobb

Sister Audrey Washington, Area Coordinator

Tampa Bay

(Covering Clearwater, St. Petersburg, Tampa, Plant City,
 South Bay/Belle Glade, Ft. Pierce)

Sister Cheryl Burnett, 2nd Vice-President

Sister Gloria Terry, Area Coordinator

Central Florida

(Covering areas from Lakeland - Sanford)

Sister Clara Cobb, 3rd Vice-President

Sis. Carolean Sanders, Area Coordinator

Sister Lillie Wright, Area Coordinator

South Florida

(Covering South Bay, Belle Glade, Ft. Pierce, Bradenton, Arcadia)

Sister Cheryl Burnett, 2nd Vice-President

Sister Elouise Bythwood, Area Coordinator

Devotion

Sister Callie Wooden*

Sister Lula Jones

Sister Linda Rouhlac

Sister Regena Herring

Workshop & Training

Sister Ruth Johnson*

Sister Mary Priester

Sister Bobbie Ponder

Sister Josephine Howard

Benevolent & Evangelism

Sister Cynthia Borden*

Sister Dianne Smith

Sister Lula Jones

Sister Belinda Jefferson

Ushers

Trellis Haygood*

Sister Patricia Broughton

Sister Rhonda Brown

Program & Planning

Sister Clara Cobb*

Sister Gerri McCallister

Sister Bobbie Ponder

Sister Cheryl Burnett

Finance

Sister Iva Tolbert*

Sister Cynthia Coney

Sister Carolean Sanders

Sister Rhonda Brown

**Denotes: Team Leader*

2018 Calendar of Events

State Convention – <i>Innisbrook Resort & Golf Club</i>	March 2018
Kick off for Educational Effort	May 2018
NBCA <i>(National Congress & Youth Conventon - TBD)</i>	June 2018
State Congress <i>(Double Tree @ Sea World Resort – Orlando)</i>	July 2018
Annual Unity Day & Deaconess Summit <i>(Panama City)</i>	August 2018
NBCA (Annual Session) <i>(Lombard, IL)</i>	September 2018
Annual Donation Day <i>(Florida Memorial University, Miami)</i>	November 2018
State Winter Board & Holiday Harvest	December 2018

*National Baptist Convention of America

District Presidents & Associations Annual Meetings

East Florida and Bethany – Sister Audrey Washington	October 2018
First South Florida – Sister Mary Priester	November 2018
Kissimmee Valley – Sister Elouise Bythwood	October 2018
New Gulf Coast - Sister Carolyn Pickney	October 2018
Progressive West of Florida - Sister Bobbie Ponder	October 2018
Second West – Sister Callie Wooden	November 2018
South Florida Progressive – Sister Belinda Jefferson	October 2018
Union Baptist – Sister Cynthia Borden	October 2018
Union Foreign – Sister Ruth Johnson	June 2018
United Fellowship Baptist – Sister Carolyn Taylor	October 2018

“Walking in the Newness of Life”

*Therefore we are buried with HIM
By Baptism into death: that like as
Christ was raised from the dead by
The glory for the Father even so we
Also should walk in the Newness of Life. (Romans 6:4)*

7:00 P.M. *Monday, March 19, 2018: Musical Program*

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

9:00 A.M. **OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE 104TH ANNUAL CONVENTION**

12:30 P.M. **Lunch Break**

1:45 PM Registration/Enrollment – Financial Team

2:00 P.M. ***OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE STATE DEACONESS COUNCIL***

President, Gerri McCallister ~ Presiding

(Attire: Purple Suit or Dress with yellow corsage)

Welcome/Greeting: Sister Mary Priester, Assistant Workshop Director

Devotional Moments:

Sister Callie Wooden, Devotional Chairperson

Sister Linda Roulhac

Sister Lula Jones

Sister Regena Herring

Official Roll Call of Deaconess Officers

Sister Dianne Smith, Secretary

Enrollment Procedures

Sister Gloria Terry, Treasurer

Memorial Moments: Sisters Patricia Boughton and Mary Priester

2:30 P.M. **Workshop Introduction**

Sister Ruth Johnson, Workshop Directress

3:30 P.M. **Theme Speaker:** Sister Shelia Graham-Bryant

St. John Progressive Baptist Church, Tampa

3:45 P.M. **Offering:** Finance Committee

4:00 P.M. **Words of Thanks** – Sister Rhonda Brown

Appreciation/Remarks: Sister Gerri McCallister

Closing/Benediction - Reverend Troy Adams, Advisor

5:00 P.M. “JOINT FELLOWSHIP” With The Brotherhood Ministry

(Ladies Attire – Purple with yellow corsage)

Call To Worship: Dwight D. Cockerham, Sr.

Selection: Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church – Largo, FL

Devotion: Deacons of Shiloh

Welcome: Sister Josephine Howard, New Beulah MBC – Haines City

Selection: Shiloh MBC Choir

Scripture: Reverend Robert Ward, Mt. Moriah MBC – St. Petersburg
Alternate

Selection: Shiloh MBC Choir

The Message: Reverend Willie D. McClendon, Pastor
Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church
Largo, Florida

Invitation to Discipleship

Offering: Officers of Shiloh and Mt. Moriah

Remarks: Sister Gerri McCallister, President – Deaconess Council

Brother Wayne Herring, President – Brotherhood

Announcements

Closing and Benediction

7:00 P.M. EDUCATION NIGHT with PARENT BODY

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

8:45 A.M. Enrollment/Registration

9:00 A.M. Sister Cheryl Burnett, Presiding (Attire: Opened)

Devotional Moments:

Sister Callie Wooden
Sister Lula Jones
Sister Linda Rouhlac
Sister ReGena Herring

9:15 A.M. Welcome: Sister Retha Rivers, St. Matthews MBC, Clearwater

Enrollment Procedures:

Finance Committee, Sister Carolean Sanders

9:20 A.M.

Reflections:

Area Fund Raisers:

Holiday Harvest:
Annual Donation Day &
Mission Outreach:

2017 Accomplishments:

West Florida – Sister Bobbie Ponder
Tampa Bay – Sister Cheryl Burnett
Central Florida – Sister Clara Cobb
Sister Carolean Sanders
Sister Gerri McCallister

9:30 A.M.

Inspirational Musical Moments

9:40 A.M.

Workshop: Sister Ruth Johnson

10:40 A.M.

Congregational Hymn

Call to Worship: Reverend Troy Adams, Sr.

11:00 A.M.

Worship Service:

Elder James Reed, Sr.
New Grace Mary Missionary Baptist Church
Tampa, Florida

Alternate:

Reverend Paul Buster, Pastor
New Macedonia MBC - Tampa, Florida

Offering:

Words of Appreciation: Sister Cynthia Coney

Announcements:

Sister Dianne Smith

Closing/Benediction:

Elder James Reed, Sr.

Lunch

Wednesday Afternoon - March 21, 2018

2:30 P.M. **Preparation for The President's Hour**
Sister Bobbie Ponder, Presiding w/The Deaconess Council Assisting

3:00 P.M. **HONORING SISTER GERRI McCALLISTER**
(Supplemental Program Provided)

(Attire: White Suit or White Dress w/ Yellow Corsage)

The Message: Sister Gerri McCallister

Acceptance of the President's Message:
Reverend Troy Adams

Announcement: Sister Dianne Smith

Closing/Benediction: Reverend Troy Adams

Thursday, March 22, 2018

9:00 A.M. **Sister Clara Cobb, Presiding**
(Attire: Black Suit or Black Dress w/Yellow Corsage)

Devotional Moments:
Sister Callie Wooden
Sister Lula Jones
Sister Linda Rouhlac
Sister Regena Herring

9:15 A.M. **Theme Speaker:** Sister Carolyn Taylor
St. Matthew MBC – Tampa, FL

9:30 A.M. **Congregational Song**

Offering: Finance Committee

9:45 A.M. **Cluster Session Directions:** Sisters Bobbie Ponder/Audrey Washington

10:40 A.M. **Summation/Questions & Answers** *(a person from each group will give a brief summary)*

11:00 A.M.

Session Wrap-up – Sister Cassandra Davis, Greater Harmony MBC
Groveland, Florida

Plaque Recipient: Finance Committee

Announcements: Sister Belinda Jefferson

Closing/Benediction: Reverend Troy Adams

Lunch

2:30 P.M.

Social Justice Hour – Parent Body
(Attire: Black Suits or Dresses - Yellow Corsage)



*The Official Closing
Of The
10TH Annual Session of The Deaconess Council*

Friday, March 23, 2018

9:00 A.M.

THE PRESIDENT'S HOUR
Reverend Dr. Bartholomew Banks – Parent Body
(Supplemental Program Provided)
(Attire: White Suit or Dress w/Yellow Corsage)